

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the public celebration of women’s history in America was virtually non-existent prior to the 1970s; and
- WHEREAS,** prompted by the women’s movement in the 1960s, aspirations of and opportunities for women were raised and they began to question their invisibility in traditional history textbooks; and
- WHEREAS,** historians shifted their emphasis from political history to a broader spectrum of American life including women’s education, marriage and the family; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1978 “Women’s History Week” was first celebrated in Sonoma County, California; and
- WHEREAS,** Senator Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) and Representative Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) co-sponsored a joint Congressional resolution proclaiming a national Women’s History Week in 1981; and
- WHEREAS,** Congress expanded the celebration in 1987 and declared the entire month of March as Women’s History Month.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** we, **CARTER M. HENDRICKS**, Mayor of Hopkinsville, and **STEVE TRIBBLE**, Christian County Judge/Executive, do hereby proclaim March 2016 as:

WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH

in Hopkinsville and Christian County, Kentucky, and call upon all citizens to recognize and revere women who serve as leaders at all levels of governance in support of the national theme “Working to Form a Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government.”

DATED this 1st day of March 2016.

CARTER M. HENDRICKS, Mayor
City of Hopkinsville

STEVE TRIBBLE, Judge/Executive
Christian County